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If there is to be a Hastings community, the students must have a voice

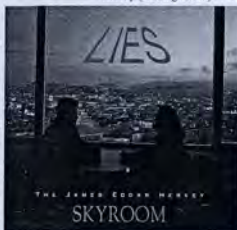
In Commune Hastings Ensis Limbus Fatuorum

Limiting the Sky

- By J. H. Kaplan, 1L

If anyone checks their Pine e-mail account you know that the Sky Lounge is no longer open. Or rather, it is open only to pre-programmed catered events. This sad demise has come as no surprise to those familiar with the problems of the Sky Lounge. For those few students whose extraordinary curiosity gave them the strength to endure the interminable wait for the elevator to the top of the Tower, five dollar bags of potato chips were all that awaited.

There are two issues which the short and dull life of the Sky Lounge raises 1) Is its current incarnation, as the site of approved social events, the best possible use? and 2) Does the Sky Lounge story reflect a general attitude of apathy and passivity on the part of both the student body and the administration?



The Sky Lounge is the result of a generous donation from the estate of J. Edgar Hervey (Hastings 1950). I will not presume to

infer his intentions, but it is a safe bet that he did not wish his name to be affixed for posterity to a white elephant atop the Tower. Because we cannot call upon Mr. Hervey to do anything more than provide for the construction of the Sky

Lounge, we must decide what it is we want done with it. At this point, as students we have demonstrated a lamentable lack of initiative. There have been murmurs, calling for a pub-like establishment to be open between four p.m. and eleven p.m. serving beer and wine and some basic pub fare. However, students, distracted as they are by silly activities like outlining casebooks, would not realistically be capable of pulling off the foundation of the club on their own. The administration must lend a helping hand. This help would be

necessary at all levels from establishing club bylaws, to obtaining the license and insurance, and maybe even some subsidization.

The Sky Lounge is a half-hearted attempt to improve the lot of the Hastings student. It is half-hearted only because we have not owned up to our responsibility to not just improve ourselves during the three short years here, but also to leave Hastings as better a place. We must acknowledge what it is we want from Hastings; be it a diploma with which we may earn a living or intellectual stimulus, or both. The point is we must be careful about focusing too greatly upon our material concerns at the expense of forgetting that we are part of an institution with both academic and societal implications. We want to get as much as we can out of Hastings in three years, our money going to tuition and our time to the study of law. But Hastings will remain after each student's departure, as it has since 1878. And the more dynamic it is, the more we will remain attached to Hastings both as an institution and as an experience.

The Sky Lounge clearly has more uses than as the site of twice-weekly event-specific gatherings- after all, there are 300 students sitting directly beneath it

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WORLD EXISTS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

- By Stephen Brundage, 3L



I recently had a conversation with a student from another San Francisco law school and was astonished to learn that every Saturday their school does some type of public service project.

"Surely only a few eager beaver public interest types are the only ones who show up," I replied incredulously.

"Oh no! We often have to turn people away, because of the overwhelming interest," she said.

"Certainly you have a community service graduation requirement."

"No," she answered, "We just have a lot of students who believe in the value of community involvement." I was dumbfounded.

Now before you start writing letters to the editor, I know that there a lot of you out there who have a strong commitment to public service.



*"It's a new millennium
so get off your haunches
and get in the game"*

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The 198 Holding Cell



- by Jim Bergmann, 2L

In the basement of 198 McAllister criminal procedure is put into practice by the Security staff of Hastings College of the Law. Down by the lockers, there is a holding cell.

The detention area is located in room B6 at 198 McAllister, and consists of three separate cells; one is a specially-constructed bathroom, the other two are holding cells. Each of the two holding cells measures eight feet by eight feet, and contains nothing but a thin vinyl-covered mattress on a two-foot-high bed. The bathroom is made with security in mind: instead of breakable ceramic, the toilet and sink are made of tough metal. The doors are made of reinforced steel and have a small one-by-two-foot Plexiglas window. At eight inches long and an inch wide, the detention area key is a throwback to a medieval jail. There is a two-way microphone system in the holding cells, but no video surveillance.

"We have to put someone in the detention cell about once every two weeks," says John Opheim, Chief of Safety and Security. "It provides a safe place to hold people suspected of a crime until the SFPD can come pick them up." According to Opheim, Hastings decided to build the detention area after arrestees on several other university campuses injured themselves or students in attempting to flee.

The first person held in the Hastings detention cell was perhaps the most dangerous, according to Chief Opheim. "His name was Miller, and he called himself 'Miller Time,'" recounts Chief Opheim. "He was under the influence of PCP and thrashed around so much that it took four Hastings officers and four SFPD officers to finally get him into the cell. I was glad that the walls were made of steel that day, because they really took a beating."

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WORLD EXISTS

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From ASK's Tower Trick-or-Treat to H-COMP's mentoring program, to the ABA's Work-A-Day to BLSA's Food Drive, there are a number of fabulous efforts by students here to perform public service. And to those people I say, "keep up the good work!"

But there's a larger number of you who give 100% to being apathetic, money-hungry, whiney, disinterested complainers. And you know who you are!

So I issue a challenge. Get off your butts and get involved - believe me there's plenty to do. In the coming months take two hours a month and dedicate it to doing something good for the community. Two simple hours a month. By my count that could be about 2000 hours a month of good work. for the community.

Spend an hour volunteering at a local school; take a day and volunteer for Habitat for Humanity; go volunteer at a soup kitchen; get involved with a group on campus doing community service.

Now I hear some of you out there saying "But I'm too busy with school work to do anything." Okay - let's all stop living in a fantasy world. When was the last time you really needed all day preparing for class or all weekend long to get ready for class on Monday? You've got two extra hours a month in your schedule - put it to good use.

Ultimately it comes down to three simple propositions:

- 1) You're never too busy to lend a helping hand.
- 2) Someone else isn't always going to do it.
- 3) The world is a lot bigger than law school.

To sum up: It's a new millennium, so get off your butts and get in the game!



Sky cont. from page 1

It is mystifying that the Tower's only gathering area sits closed, forcing students out into the streets of the Tenderloin.



While the use or misuse of the Sky Lounge is not of the essence, the general attitude, for which it serves as a microcosm, is of great significance: the selfish concern - for exploiting Hastings to one's individual advantage. As members and products of the Hastings community, we must acknowledge those opportunities with active and opinionated voices or be left with the bitter taste of silence on our tongues. We share a responsibility with the administration to shape Hastings. If we ignore this responsibility then we will leave Hastings poorer. Meanwhile, the Sky Lounge sits mockingly atop the Tower sneering, "You didn't come to Hastings to participate, did you?"

Skyroom Task Force

In response to the administration's closing of the Skyroom to student use (exclusive of special events), ASUCH formed a task force to address the issue. The focus of the task force is to work with the administration, including Dean Kane and Chief Financial Officer David Seward to reach a solution which will allow students regular access to the Skyroom.

The taskforce will survey students via email and will propose ideas to the administration. At the November 16th, 1999,

"The Hervey Skyroom serves as a student lounge and alumni reception area and quickly has become a sought after gathering place for the Hastings community"
- Campus Notes,
"HastingsCommunity",
Spring 1999 Issue

Wake-up call

- By T.J. D'Amato, 2L

As I try to ignore the chronic mishaps on the rail to school in the morning, I carry on a casual conversation with whom ever happens to be sharing the crowded confines...today, it happens to be a wonderfully charming visitor from Germany, taking exchange business courses downtown. Regardless of who the conversation is with (whether it be the guy who mixes Giant's stats with his Business Weekly or the lady rushing to take her children to school or the Germany exchange), the point is that there is even a community among the tunneled caverns.

198 McAllister hardly fosters an environment producing the type of professional attitude stimulating the millennium economy. In a city pulsating with energy, forcing the rest of the world to track it's every ground shaking decision. The current at Hastings is less than electrifying. With Time Magazine's, Sept. 27, Special Report, boasting "passion" as a key ingredient to market success, shouldn't it be time more embrace the skills that our generation are proving astronomically effective.

The business (e-biz', e-commerce, dubdubdub.younameit.com) that is being shaped by your peers, is one of shared ideas, common goals, and, increasingly, benevolent faith in one another's skills. These new exerts know that their tools not only include advanced degrees and market savvy, but also interaction and recognition. "Buzz!" They have repeatedly risked all on the proposition that the world truly is a network. The same personal attributes that have long been left outside the realm of 9 to 5 are the very weapons turning cocktail hour playfulness into successful joint ventures...

---A brief interruption to illustrate: The phone just rang with the caller, a good friend and SF-urbanite for about 15 days, already seeing a small piece of the lure flocking people here in groves. Upon suggestion...by me of course...abandoning I.P.O sized skepticism, his positive attitude and fresh professional demeanor has afforded him an opportunity with a launching start up...

While Hastings must overcome the fragmentation caused by its urban facade, this school, absent even mention on the NCAA web site, equips its constituents with all the sundries necessary to influence the area's biggest players. Innovation and creativity are breed in the intelligent hallows of buildings like this. All that is necessary now is for it's habitants to inject some personality, splash a little color, or just extend a hand in friendship. While it is true we reduce the law to "black-letter", the halls at Hastings don't need to suffer the same fate.

finance committee meeting
(which is open to the public)

ASUCH President Peter Burns will use student's survey responses to present ideas, will include allowing students unmonitored access to the Skyroom and having student volunteers from different organizations monitor.

Members of the Task Force will also address the school's Board of Directors on December 4, 1999 to make the Board aware of student concerns regarding the Skyroom. If you would like to be involved in the Skyroom taskforce, contact Melanie Anbarci 2L.



"Allow me to obfuscate..."

Holding Cell, Cont.. From page 2

Duane Turner has been working as a Hastings Safety and Security officer for twenty years. Turner describes the typical detention-cell scenario: "We see something that leads us to suspect a person, or we get a report from students or staff. Once we make an arrest, we handcuff the person and search for weapons. We call in the arrest to our own dispatch, who then phones the SFPD. While we wait for SFPD, we put the person in the holding cell." Turner adds, "Probably seventy-five percent of the arrests we make are drug related. There is a lot of drug activity in U.N. Plaza and in front of the Post Office on Golden Gate Avenue, and people regularly come into the 200 McAllister building to use the bathrooms to do drugs."

Besides drug offenses, says two-year veteran Officer Michael Loos, the most common offenses that Hastings officers make arrests for are breaking into cars, and stealing bicycles. "Recently we caught a woman with bolt cutters attempting to steal a bike in front of the 200 McAllister building, and we arrested her. With bike thefts, if SFPD runs the suspect's record and if they don't have outstanding warrants, often the police will let the person go." Officer Turner adds a familiar warning: "It takes less than a minute for a thief to steal your bike if

you don't use the Hastings bike racks properly. Bike chains and U-locks are easy for thieves to break off."

Hastings Safety and Security officers have the power to make citizen's arrests. "Our status was changed in 1995 from U.C. Police, who have full police powers [and can carry firearms], to a private security force with much more limited powers," says Officer E. Katterhenry, who has been on the Hastings Safety and Security staff for eleven years. "The administration made this change, they said, to reduce the school's exposure to liability."



Holding Cell in 198 bldg.

"When a crime is committed, and it's not a minor infraction, it's a deterrent to the educational process. It's our job to help keep the campus safe, and sometimes that means arresting people. The sad thing is that we often have to arrest young people, and I think 'this person could have been a student here, if they had gone down a different path.'"

"When a crime is committed it's a deterrent to the educational process"

Have there ever been Hastings students in the detention cells? "It has happened occasionally," says Chief Opheim. "Typically it involves students being drunk, and if we have to arrest the student and bring them down to the holding area, SFPD comes and picks them up and the student spends some time in the San Francisco city jail to 'dry out.' This doesn't happen very often though."

Chief Opheim finds the detention cells to be a necessary part of life at Hastings.



Hastings Security Incident Report

Oct. 2, 1400 hrs.-Hastings pool table in game room - ball tray unsecured. Officer secured pool balls in B-6, 198 building for safekeeping.

Oct. 4, 1500 hrs.-Chair in third row of classroom K, 198 building found broken - reported by student. Hastings security notified facilities department.

Oct. 13, 1400 hrs.-Hastings security responded to domestic disturbance reported in room ____, McAllister Tower. Subject and victim were arguing. Victim stated she wanted subject out of shared room. Subject removed some of his belongings and was to remove the rest the next day under the supervision of Tower security.

Oct. 20, 0600 hrs.-While on patrol, Hastings officer found an emergency EATS red phone lying on the floor. It had been pulled off the wall. Facilities department notified.

Oct. 25, 2045 hrs.-Hastings security called to McAllister Tower lobby on a casualty call. Student had a laceration on his right ear which was received while he was playing basketball. Hastings escort van driver

Drug Arrest on Campus

On September 2, a first year Hastings student was arrested for smoking black tar heroin on campus. Security said that they noticed the student was acting strangely, and decided to investigate. Security found him in the Law Cafe bathroom stall smoking the tar. According to Chief of Security John Opheim, the student was arrested, but no charges were filed by the San Francisco District Attorney's Office. Academic Dean Leo Martinez confirmed the arrest and that appropriate disciplinary action was taken against the student.

ABA Comes to Campus

On October 11, a seven member panel of volunteer professors and judges came to U.C. Hastings. The panel observed classes and spoke to students and faculty over a three day period. They were on campus to prepare a report for the American Bar Association re-accreditation process which occurs every seven years. When asked how Hastings fared, Dean M. Michael Sharlot of University of Texas at Austin, said that he was extremely impressed with the professors, students, study abroad programs and academic quality at Hastings.

Party Like it's 1999 ...But the 3rd Millennium Won't Begin Until 2001 - By Yuri Takei, 3L

Busy planning the New Year's Party for the new Millennium? Well, you can put off the party plans for another year. It's all a lie, or maybe the most slick marketing tactic ever. People, the New Millennium won't start on January 1, 2000.

In the Gregorian calendar, the years are counted from AD 1. Thus, the 1st century was comprised of the years AD 1 through AD 100. The 20th century began on January 1, 1901 and will end on December 31, 2000. The 21st century won't begin until January 1, 2001.

So, you can dance all you want to the music of Jennifer Lopez or the Artist Formerly Known as Prince to celebrate the New Year but remember, it's still the 20th Century and the 2nd Millennium! The real party will have to wait for another year.

Commentary : World Leadership in the New Millennium?

by Dean Fealk, 3L

Since the fall of the Berlin Wall, pundits and prognosticators alike have been casting about to characterize the geo-political architecture of the "post-cold-war." George Kennan is dead and buried. Henry Kissinger is enjoying his twilight on the talk-show circuit. Such trendy reductionisms as "the end of history," or "the clash of civilizations," have fallen woefully short of their mark. What's left when the academic dust settles is merely a definition of something as not what it used to be, namely, "the post-cold war era."

In the meantime, the U.S. operates as the sole superpower - politically, economically, militarily and culturally, without a context to reference its global role. Unfortunately, amidst this definitional vacuum, the vessel of U.S. foreign policy sails between the Scylla of the Clinton Administration's casual militarism (egged on by a quarter trillion dollar defense budget) and the Charybdis of Republican Congressional leadership's 1920s era isolationism. Both extremes are wrongheaded. They ignore America's essential leadership role and the most effective means to arrive there.

Much to their credit, the GOP leadership, led by the likes of Trent Lott, Tom Delay and Jesse Helms, long standard-bearers of social extremism, have finally found a set of issues that they are actually in step with the American people on: the proper role of the U.S. on the global stage. Their message is unmistakable: "Let's face it, on the laundry list of national priorities, most Americans are more concerned with the NASDAQ than NATO." While these neo-isolationists are quick to dismiss charges that the recent torpedo of the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty was reminiscent of the fateful rejection of the Treaty of Versailles - their track record betrays their true colors.

Under their congressional stewardship the U.S. has become embarrassingly delinquent in arrears owed to the United Nations

and the President has been denied the authority to negotiate further trade liberalizations under a "fast track" scheme. They balk at the establishment of an international criminal court. Simply put, GOP neo-isolationism dictates that America's concerns should stop at the water's edge.

This laissez-faire attitude ignores the fact that America's interests have become more, not less, interconnected with the world at large in the information age. What's more, American hegemony has created an expectation (albeit tempered with ambivalence) that the U.S. will trail-blaze on issues of global import. It's true that greater chaos and uncertainty loom without containment doctrine as a guiding light, but the opportunities to encourage a freer, more stable world warrant our commitment. To turn our back at this critical historical juncture invites dire consequences.

Across the Mall sits a pensive President Clinton. Has his struggle to distract the public from his scandalous woes prompted him to "wag the dog"? Is he fixated at shoring up his place in the history books at any cost? One thing seems certain. Although swept into office on a domestic platform, the President is determined to convince the American people, "It's the military, stupid!"

From the Sudan to Iraq to Kosovo the U.S. has brandished its mighty sword with abandon as the rest of the world gazes on with a look of timid compliance. Wrapped in high-minded rhetoric and (sometimes) good intentions, militaristic temper tantrums have eroded American credibility.

Historic opportunities to build a freer, more stable world are being squandered. Consider: this writer, finding himself in Beijing in the wake of President Clinton's much publicized 1997 visit was struck by the ubiquitous words of admiration the president inspired among throngs of college students.

Fast forward a mere 18 months later. The comedy of errors culminating in the bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade sent these same students hurling bricks at the U.S. embassy. This debacle is unforgivable at a time when the world's most populous country walks the tightrope of liberalization amidst ambivalence of a globalization with a distinctly American face.

Indeed, the world over, from Indonesia to Iran, hard-line traditionalists are engaged in a tug of war with reform-minded progressives over the political future of their respective nations. America's muscle-flexing has only incited public resistance to much needed reforms and armed reactionaries with nationalistic rhetoric.

How ironic that President Clinton, touted the most focus-grouped and poll tested president in history, should fail to see the importance of global public opinion in shaping successful foreign policy. Time and again he has proven adept at taking his agenda to the American people over the heads of his congressional adversaries. So too should the U.S. seek to cultivate popular reception overseas to the principles of open government and free-market. These values cannot be inculcated through bombs.

The real strength of the oldest democracy on the planet lies not in military strength but in the promise of a freer, fairer, better future. These values can be a catalyst for change the world over for governments in transition struggling for legitimacy. They are only effective when coupled with a foreign policy of engagement - not bullying. Let's lead by example, not might.

- Dean has a M.S. in Comparative Politics and was a Fulbright Scholar in South Korea 1997.

Eye on ASUCH

President Burns



Seen here with his besties

There is no shortage of issues to address this semester. ASUCH abandoned its standing committees and set up task forces to deal with eleven major problem areas. Here's a sample of the issues being tackled: 1) Skyroom - closed and we want it open 2) Child Day Care - funding is back and we now need quality service 3) Technology - kill Pine and move out of the dark ages 4) IP Concentration and Curriculum - hire new professors, significantly expand course offerings, and be able to take classes at other schools at no additional cost in the meantime and 5) Hastings 2007 Plan - push for Rooftop Garden, get new lighting in the Law Café and look into West Block expansion.

ASUCH is building up its outline bank. Hastings students aren't a bunch of back-stabbing competitive sharks! Hiding the ball is great for pedagogical purposes, but in the end we all just want to understand the law. A list of desperately needed outlines will be e-mailed shortly. Review your old outlines, heckle people who graduated last year, and help your fellow students learn the law by getting as many good outlines to ASUCH as possible. We'll be starting a Blue Book Bank next semester, so hold onto any blue books that are packed with pearls of wisdom and pass them along to educate future generations.

Good luck to all on finals! If a problem or concern arises, please don't hesitate to heckle me or any ASUCH rep. burnsp@uchastings.edu.

"Leiden" Up!

-By Jessica Barsotti, J.L. and Celeste Pace, J.L.

Did you know that there are three exchange programs offered every semester here at Hastings? We have an exchange program with Vermont Law School for those who need "real seasons", one with the University of British Columbia in Canada for those of us who like to play hockey, and one with Leiden University in the Netherlands for those of us who... well, you know who you are. We had a chance to catch up with the students who are here this semester from Leiden University to ask them about their experience at Hastings this semester.

How does life at Leiden compare to life at Hastings? What is it like in the land of the infamous "Coffee Shops"? What do the Dutch think of Americans? Why would eight people from beautiful Holland subject themselves to four months in the Tensderloin? Well, we caught up with a few of these brave tulips to answer some of these questions.

There are eight students from Leiden who are here this semester: Christiaan Zillinger-Molenaar, Kristel Slagter, Robert Wisse, Willemijn de Knecht, Marius de Groot, Jose de Kraker, Anjet van Dijken, and Elle van Gompel. We spoke with Kristel, Willemijn, Christiaan, Marius, and Elle, all agreeing that the atmosphere at Hastings is far more serious and competitive

than at Leiden. They noticed that the student body at Hastings is older and more professional than at Leiden. In the Netherlands law school begins at the undergraduate level and lasts five years. Most Dutch law students will graduate from law school around age 25.

Our Dutch guests also noticed a disturbing lack of week night parties and social events. The lack of weekday parties here at Hastings are attributed, by some Leiden students, to the lack of student clubs. There are always week night social events within the student clubs that are prevalent at Leiden, say the students, and people go out more during the week than on the weekend. Leiden University has no central campus area for students to gather and meet. So, students meet their friends through social clubs, not on campus.

Most of the Leiden students live in The Tower, but Kristel and Elle live off campus in the Haight, which they really enjoy. Hobson's Choice, on Haight Street has become a frequent place for them to hang out this semester. Both Elle and Willemijn's first choice for an exchange program was Boston College, but only one person from Leiden gets to go every year, so the competition was pretty stiff! They miss the superior coffee in Holland and the extended hours places are open. Not every city in the world shuts down at 2:00 A.M. They also find it annoying to carry an ID everywhere- in Holland you are

not required to do so! On the plus side, they are enjoying the weather over here. The Leiden students have made good use of their time over here by taking trips to other places; Los Angeles, San Diego, even Maui! Don't you all wish you could do so much vacationing during the semester.

Now what about those infamous "coffee shops"? Those of you who have never been to the Netherlands might be surprised to find out that the drug laws there are not as relaxed as they may seem. According to the Leiden students, in the "coffee shops" one can buy marijuana, hashish or something made with marijuana or hashish like a

brownie or muffin. If one buys a smokable, it can be smoked there on the premises, but you can't take it into another café or smoke it on the street. Hard drugs such as heroin, cocaine, and ecstasy are not decriminalized, but there are methadone clinics available for addicts.

The Leiden students admit that they spend most of time with each other speaking Dutch. They had hoped to practice their English and to mix with American students more, but find people here are often too busy studying to socialize. Elle's one message to Hastings' students is that they should have more fun! Point made.



Letter from the Editors

Here it is, the much anticipated limited edition Millennium issue of the *Law News*. We received a lot of positive feedback and encouragement from everyone, even faculty. We know the *Law News* couldn't pass 10 error rule muster, but we aren't trying to be an academic publication. W2 apolojize four mistakes.

The number of *Law News* writers has tripled since last month's debut, including contributions of one professor. Thank you to everyone who helped.

This is it until next semester - Savor your exam experience!
Happy Chanukah! (etc.)

Joan Podolsky and Tawni Olson.



Some of the *Law News* crew.
From left to right, top row first:
- Jennifer Hahn, Tawni Olson, Josh Kaplan, Celeste
Pace, Joan Podolsky and Jim Bergmann

The Shark

Marathon Man

- By Colin Gallagher, 3L

After finishing the San Francisco Marathon last July, I decided that I liked the fatigue, heat exhaustion, and pounding of my knees so much, that I'd do it again. While at the SF Marathon Expo in Fort Mason, I looked at a number of brochures for marathons across North America and decided on the Royal Victoria Marathon on October 10. Because it was the only event named after a queen, I thought this event would be quite appropriate for me.

I took the Ferry to Victoria and from there, I hurried onto the Marathon Expo to pick up my race number and buy neat racing stuff, like a pair of running shorts in the design of a Canadian flag, with the maple leaf strategically positioned in front.

A special "carbo-loading" dinner was held for the runners on the night before the race inside another hotel that faces the Parliament Building and the city's Marina. There are motivational speakers at the dinner who tell stories about how running their worst marathon felt. Not quite motivated, I walked back to the B&B from dinner, I saw that the Parliament Building looked beautiful at night docked with lights like a Christmas tree.

The marathon started at 8 a.m. with a lot of jostling for the front of the pack. We passed the Empress Hotel, an ivy-covered 19th century grand hotel.



Colin Gallagher after finishing the Victoria Marathon in 2:57:42

As the course followed the shoreline it was possible to look across the water to Port Angeles in the U.S., but I was too busy trying to keep near the front of the pack, which was a rash decision.

The course wound through some quiet residential neighborhoods. People were outside cheering us along the way. None of the motorists in Victoria experienced road rage. Generally Canadians seem to be a lot more laid back and friendlier than their southern neighbors. Maybe it's because of the socialized mental health services.

After coming to a marina called Oak Bay and the 1/2 way point, I began to lag. Before then I had moved up to 30th place, but I now saw that I started out too quickly and was beginning to suffer for it. I ask someone what time it was, and find out that I'd been running for about one hour and twenty minutes. That pace was too fast for me. A number of runners I'd passed before sped past me, including the first woman runner. The rain-clouds cleared up and the temperature increased.

How do I keep going in these circumstances? I tried to keep playing my CD of Judy Garland's in my head, and remember that "when you're crying don't you know, that your makeup starts to run, and your eyes get red and scrappy. Forget your troubles, have yourself a little fun. Have a ball, forget it all. Forget your troubles, c'mon get happy."

As I followed the course back to where we'd started, I tried to increase the pace again, but my legs simply weren't responding to my mental commands. If I'd stopped, I wouldn't be able to start running again, because of the numbness in the lower part of my body. In the words of Countess Lili von Shtupp in *Blazing Saddles*: "Let's face it - everything below the waist is kaput." Fortunately there were water stations along the way where I re-hydrated before finishing.

Finishing was exhilarating. Although I slowed down a bit in the second half of the race, I still finished in under 3 hours - 2:57:42, 70th place among the men and 71st place overall. I qualified for the Boston Marathon next year!

Yeah Baby!



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Hasties

-By Tawni Olson, 3L

While you're getting ready for finals, why not put some more useless information into your overloaded brains. These *Hasties* might save you one day when unprepared in class or stumped in an interview. "No, I can't answer that, but can you tell me?..."

- How is Hastings like Harvard? Trendsetters. In 1878 Hastings became one of only 3 Colleges of Law at the time (Boston and Harvard) to implement a 3 year program rather than 2 year. See also Ed Meese quote on page 10.
- What were the tuition and registration fees in the early years of Hastings? Originally, tuition fees were \$0 and only \$10 for registration. Today registration and tuition fees require an arm, a leg and intimate relationship with Uncle Sam - throw in your firstborn if you are from out of state.
- How long has Hastings been Y2K compliant? Since approximately 1985. SIC folders.
- When did S.C. Hastings graduate from Law School? Ha! Trick question. He didn't. Like his contemporary Abe Lincoln, he was not trained in a law school. He studied as an apprentice with a local attorney in Indiana.
- What was the Smallest class? -1918 only 6 graduates, followed by 1945 with 8 graduates - What do you think Prof. Schiller? Something to do with those pesky World Wars?

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Hastings after dark...

HPILF Auction 1999

- By Jennifer Hahn, 2L

Stepping into the Louis B. Meyer Lounge on Thursday, October 28, one would have believed they were transported through a time portal into the Roaring 20's. Well, maybe not exactly, but Hastings Public Interest Law Foundation did do a great transformation job for their Eighth Annual Charity Auction with the help of glitter, balloons and stars.

During the auction, the bidding got intense as 2Ls battled 3Ls for the precious prize to play poker with Professor Park. The 2Ls topped it out at \$1300, the highest bid of the evening. The second highest was supper and sing along with Professors Dodge and Knapp, at \$1000.

HPILF raised a total of approximately \$14,000, which will go toward grants for students working in public interest. Rona Rathod, Co-President, thanks everyone for their support. "It made it

such a good event," she says. HPILF is a nonprofit corporation run by currently enrolled Hastings students, committed to public interest.

In the end, Tiffany Keist said it best: "Law school would be so

much better if it always involved glitter."



Stephen Brontage, Alexis Rodriguez, Sari Zimmerman



Celeste and Max



Sari Zimmerman as auctioneer



Chris and Rona



Alex and Laurel



Cara, Cathy and Ann



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Barristers Ball 1999

This year Hastings only semi-formal ball was held on Friday, November 5 at the Westin St. Francis Hotel.

Reminiscent of Prom, students got all gussied up and danced all night long.





M. HAYASHI

"I don't have a question per se, I just want to hear myself talk..."

Wang's World Tips on Traveling

- by Professor Bill Wang

After receiving his legal education from Yale, Professor Wang urged the *Law News* to add the following disclaimer:

"No Warranty, express or implied that the information below is correct," but it might be.

1) A good web site for travel deals (including airfares) is smarter-living.com. At travelocity.com, you may enter several different itineraries. If the round trip fare on any one of these itineraries changes by \$25, Travelocity will automatically notify you by e-mail. By checking your personal page on Travelocity, you may also obtain the current fares on those itineraries. Expedia.com also allows you to enter several itineraries and periodically sends you an e-mail with the latest fares for those itineraries.

2) Students who obtain an American Express Optima card (free) americanexpress.com/student, may obtain discounts on Continental Airlines (\$239 round trip coast to coast during spring break). Also, by telephoning (800) 950-5114, students may receive a free booklet of discount coupons on American Airlines by obtaining a Citibank credit card (free) until you start using it-ed.] or go to www.aa.com and click on "Specials." TWA sells books of 4-coupon airfare booklets to those 12-34.

3) American Airlines (and probably others) provides a group discount to 10 or more people travelling to the same destination. [It seems BW has had some serious parties!-ed.]

3) The following free e-mail newsletters give travel tips: newsletter@frommeters.com, hotdeals@travelexpress.com, listadmin@180096hotel.com. The first is daily, the second two weekly. The last one deals with hotel bargains.

Professor Wang speaks Yiddish when he's not busy sleeping in the White House or teaching Corporations.

THANKSGIVING THOUGHTS

A First Year's Personal Struggle to Figure Out What Just Happened

- By Ross Scarberry IL

Thanksgiving is almost here so I thought I'd better come up with what I'm going to tell the family when they asked me what I've learned at law school. Lucky for me I have plenty of time to think while I'm in the shower. It has to do with washing my hair- either the cleansing of follicles or the massaging motion allows my brain to work best. It's either that, or the fact that I'm naked. I will examine each class individually to figure out what these first few months have taught me.

First, contracts. In contracts I learned a few easy rules that must be satisfied in order for a contract to be legally enforceable. These rules consist of how drunk you have to be when forming a contract to make it no longer enforceable, the importance of creativity in the naming of a ship and a few things such as offer, acceptance, consideration, etc. Then I learned that those rules are subject to change at the interpretation of the judge.

Property. I discovered that everything I learned in the first month stopped being law in 1347. Everything that I learned in the next two weeks stopped being law in 1654, and some of the stuff I just learned could be law in 15 states. At least I'm getting closer to learning something relevant. I also learned that I hate perpetuities. Finally, I learned that property is very easy. You just have to learn that everything is subject to change at the interpretation of the judge or king who has been dead for four hundred years.

Torts. Torts have power. They have punitive damages. They can take all of your money. Contracts are left cowering in the corner in their presence. Torts can bring mighty corporations to their knees. They are the Jedis of the legal world. Each tort has a definite set of parts that must be present and applied. Of course, these parts and their application are subject to interpretation by the judge.

Next, there is civil procedure. Anything you need to know for this class is in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure book. Congress wrote this book. Congress is full of lawyers who couldn't hack it practicing and decided to go into politics. These people are very bitter at all other lawyers. They have exacted their revenge in the form of the wording of this book. Of course, all of the words of this book are subject to the interpretation of judges.

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Fashion Watch - by Miss Tickle

For my first feature, I have decided to mock everyone's choice of book-carrying device. Now, I know there are perfectly sweet people who carry each and every one of these bags, but that wouldn't be a very entertaining column, would it?

The Laptop Case that Ate San Francisco

Size does matter. Room for your laptop, books, notes, a small pony... and all that weight is resting on just one shoulder. Your chiropractor would spank you if he knew. You just want to get through law school and start another Internet company anyway. Darling, it's practical, but so is Spam.



Black Canvas Tote with Large Zipper

This bag is for the girl who is superior to everyone else, and isn't afraid to let us know! If you own 40 pairs of boot cut pants, enjoy humiliating your section-mates over weddings that didn't go through, less than perfect responses in class, and bad haircuts, this is the bag for you. Let nothing break the stride of those Via Spiga boots!

Sporty Backpack with Lacing on Back

Either you enjoy puzzling people, or you just don't want to admit you don't know what that lace thingy is for either. Actually, we both know it should be used to carry your \$400 Gore-tex sprocket armed Everest expedition jacket when the icy winds of the Tenderloin die down momentarily, but your secret is safe with me. Congratulations for at least choosing something that distributes weight evenly on both shoulders.

Really Sparkly Plastic Flap Bag

This is a great bag for cool women of eclectic and original taste. You and



only you can carry off something so gorgeously tacky. On the shoulder of a guy, however, it somehow loses its wit and charm... guys, if you have a thick neck and put too much stuff in your hair, don't make things worse by carrying a bag so glaringly *de trop*.

Old Faithful (aka the 7th Grader)

You are too attached to your childhood. Let it go. This goes for those of you who attach tiny teddy bears to your backpack as well. You are scaring away the people you are hoping will rescue you.

The Stewardess (Flight Attendant)

Like the Daleks, these things just have a problem with stairs, don't they? Look, you should have to suffer just like the generations of law students before you. Put your damn books in a backpack like everyone else and give that special creampuff you have your eye on a chance to rub your shoulders. Oh, never. None of you pulling this look interested in frolic-massages anyway.



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Plaid Schoolbook Bag

No one here at Hastings has a bag like this, and hell not? This bag belongs the kind of person we all more of. It conveys irony, and practicality all in one package. It's comforting yet witty, clownish yet sublime, the sporty sedan of carry-alls. Tell me, oh tell me this bag isn't too much to expect of you.

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

"Art" Guthrie

Visit Grant Guthrie's mini gallery located in his SIC folder. Refreshments served. Displayed until November 23.

Toy Drive

Bring new unwrapped toys under \$10.00 for the toy drive benefiting the kids of the Tenderloin beginning November 17.

District Attorney Debate

All 5 candidates for SF District Attorney attended the October 20th DA debate in the LBM lounge. Former SF prosecutor and current defense attorney Bill Fazio will face incumbent DA Terence Hallinan at 12:00pm, December 1st, 1999 at the auditorium at 455 Golden Gate.



DA Terence Hallinan



DA candidate Castelman
and Professor Little

THE § FILES

- By Jen Swede 1L

First year faces express the fear of the unknown, the harsh realities of the approaching war. The looming thought of finals, spending days upon end armed with flashcards, outlines, summaries, video tapes, notes and numerous other forms of artillery, all with one directive in mind; to be top 10%. The goal of finals preparation is to "be the best you can be" and only the most prepared soldiers will achieve this rank. There are many methods to defeating the exams. Sure-fire combat secrets are spreading as wildly as the exam panic itself amongst our very capable 1L troops.

1L's, since there is no way for us to differentiate finals hype from good advice, it is best to just spill it all. First, the basics. We must accept the fact that our life as a normal civilian is over (or at least on hold for the next month). Begin stockpiling groceries so we do not need to leave the house other than to keep your seat warm at the library or meet a study session. Synchronize our watches to Hastings Standard Time (try and find a working

clock) so we are on time for all tests (close enough for government work is not a recommended ethic). Organize everything we can think of (this is not limited to school- organize sock drawers by color now and save time during the finals crunch). This also means pay the bills ahead of time so we will not need to worry about running water (not that we will shower) or electricity during finals.

Drastic measures? Unplug, even disconnect the phone, of course family and friends that still choose to keep in touch with us during our dull law school careers will think we died or joined a cult. This is a small price to pay for the possibility of a nice set of OCI call backs, complete with fancy lunches we now only dream about. Donate the television set to the closet. Make tapes of all the pertinent information and fall asleep with them every night as you dream your way to great grades. Sleep hugging your civil procedure book tightly for good luck.

All kidding aside, the worst thing we can do for finals is keep feeding the panic. There is no better advice than the adage, "to each his own." And remember, about 405 of us will not be in the top 10%.

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Finally, I learned some things about people. For example, some people like to ask at least a question everyday no matter how irrelevant it may be. While other people feel the need to read ahead and ask questions about topics that are two weeks away. While still other people are just smart and make me feel like a contract in the presence of a tort.

I don't think this is what my family wants to hear. So, I shall tell them all that it's going well, and I'm learning a lot of useful information. I'll tell them, "If an insurance company is ever hassling you, talk to the supervisor and tell him that this sounds like a breach of the covenant of good faith and fair dealing."

I think I'll just skip the drowsiness from turkey and gravy and get mine from Wild Turkey. After passing out on the couch watching football, I shall endeavor to start my outlines Friday morning with a hangover.

I love the holidays.

SWANKY NEW TILES

- By Sandro Tuzzo, 3L

As I prepare to finish my last year at Hastings, I am reminded of some pleasant memories that I have had here. During my second week at school, I entered the library for the first time. With my casebooks in hand (now weighing half as much as before because I followed the advice of a second year and had them cut in half), I searched for a "book" to plop down and read. I decided on a cubicle against the windows facing Hyde Street. As I began to recline in the unforgiving wooden chair, I placed my backpack next to the window. To my surprise, I realized that the entire area was lightly coated in black soot from the traffic on Hyde street. Yes, that is one of my favorites.

There are other memories, like when I decided to be pro-active and went to the facilities department to let them know that the clock in the law cafe was missing. I was abruptly told to "go talk to my fellow students to get them to stop stealing the clocks." [Just fess up, Sandro. -ed.]

How about all those moments in the past two years that I spent playing that all too common Hastings game of "Guess What Time It Really Is." Those were fun times. Of course I can never forget the other campus-wide game of "Guess When the 198 Building Renovation Will Actually Be Complete." I remember how funny it was when I realized that my first guess (December 1998) was way off. Oh yes, those were the days.

Now I realize that things have improved (how about the swank bathroom tiles in the 198) and that some students find facilities to be an insignificant concern. But, in my mind, the way that our school is cared for does affect the quality of the student experience. It is hard enough to come down to this rugged neighborhood, battle with traffic while walking in between buildings, and just deal with the law school experience in general. The least we deserve is a school that runs smoothly. Let us hope that the newly refurbished 198 building with its swanky tile bathrooms [and squares stuck to the wall-ed.] signals a change for the better.

Halloween



Former President Fluss, GI Joan,
Tim Terry, Gotti, Brad Ampitt



Top: Kathy, Tim, Harriet
Bottom: Tawni, Joan, FBI, Jerod, Sophie



Colin and Joan

TELLING IT LIKE IT IS

Smell That Smell (What I Forgot to Tell My LW&R Class)

- By Tim Terry, 3L

It's been said that sweat is the cologne of accomplishment. If so, it's been quite an odoriferous experience to witness this year's crop of 1L's engage in that law school rite of passage known as Legal Writing & Research. All those research logs, client letters and memo drafts. There must be an easier way to get through this drudgery. While the end is now in sight, keep these survival tips in mind as you venture toward that penultimate moment of truth -- the submission of the final memo.

Survival Tips

- * Don't bother learning the blue book. Make your TA correct your cites.
- * Share.
- * Go to Happy Hour early and often.
- * If a draft memo is due this afternoon and you haven't started it yet, type out your research log (assuming you did one) in outline form and turn it in. Chances are the teacher and TA didn't look at the first time, so they won't know the difference anyway.
- * When you get back corrected drafts from your TA, make the corrections! They're free!
- * If you have LW&R during Beer on the Beach, it's OK to imbibe before, during and after class, just make sure you bring a glass for your TA and your teacher.
- * All those books that are "required" for LW&R -- forget about it!
- * Don't forget about Happy Hour.



Smelling It

- By Danni Lee, 1L

First year law students have to do their legal research and writing with real books. This is the way it's always been. That's the way our professors did it and therefore we should learn that way, too. No computers. God forbid modern technology should alter the course of first year law school.

Somebody answer me this question: what on earth do we have to learn from every first year law students being in need of the same 7 volumes of Shepard's citations supplements? Where is the utility in that? Each and every time that I have gone to the library to get those gosh-darned books someone else has them and I waste more and more of my time that could have been spent in amore productive manner. What is it that I learn from the fact that the only ALR volume on point is missing every time I go to get it? The only thing I've learned so far is that it's too bad I chose a public university. If I went to a private school, or a least a smaller public one, maybe I'd only have to fight 90 people for those Shepard's volumes instead of 400.

The notion that somehow electronic research is "easier" than physical research is a fallacy. It's perpetuated by those who don't have the ability to grasp the concept of intangible research resources. Bottom line is that I think the powers that be have the complete inability to grasp the concept that information available in electronic form is the same as information in a book. If you do research on the computer, you still have to check all of your sources, i.e., the annotated codes, federal digests, Witkin's, etc., and you still have to make sure the case law you want to cite is still good.

An electronic volume of the United States Annotated Code has the same information that a hard bound one does, except you have it all in one place as opposed to having to check a separate supplement or pocket

First-Year Finals

- By Ina Tuelle

Dishes. Dirty dishes. That's all I could think about during first-year finals. Not the *Erie* doctrine, not the mailbox rule, not even *res ipsa loquitur*. I could muddle through these complex concepts for hours, or I could make a noticeable difference in my sink. So I would do dishes. Again. This is the real battle in law school -- the battle of priorities.

I'm not one of those people who starts outlining from Day One. To tell you the truth, I envy those people as much as I hate what they represent. If you are one of these gunners, lighten up, have a beer, and get to know your classmates. If you haven't started outlining by now, however, I say this to you: Beer on the beach is optional. Go to the library. During my first year, I rarely started outlining or making flash cards before the last week of two classes. And sure enough, the night before a final, I would find myself wishing I had just one more day to really get the material down. Then I would go do some dishes.

To prevent others from going down that same path of procrastination that I did, I will disclose five amazingly simple guidelines and truths, yours for the low, low introductory price of \$5500 per semester (Twice that if you're not from around these parts.). Order now, and I'll even throw in an out-of-date Gilbert's!

- Hornbook authors are your friends. Glannon is your patron saint.
- You should have started your outline last week.
- Make your own flashcards, and start early. Those card sin the pretty yellow box in the bookstore are good if you like long hypos -- I don't. Flashcards are the key to classes like Torts and Criminal Law.
- Take every freakin' exam you can get your hands on. Take them under exam conditions, and analyze your answers. Outlining is okay if pressed for time but it's a poor substitute for the real thing. When you sit down for the real final, would you rather be taking it for the first time or the twelfth?
- F*ck the dishes. They'll be there in Dec.

Ask Buddy



Dear Buddy,

I've never seen a woman in the video game room in the basement of the 198 building. Are women allowed in there? Is this some sort of Title IX discrimination thing?

Signed,

Ms. Pacman

Dear Ms. P,

Yes, women are not only allowed in the room, but desperately needed! Let's face it, they're somewhat "socially challenged." You don't meet to many women in front of a video screen or hoarded over a deck of *Magic, The Gathering*. Come on, Hastings women, drop by, kick but on a game, and make a video-game geek's day.

Dear Buddy,

I've noticed that there's quite a musty smell in the library. Just how old are the books in there, and is there any danger of getting sick from breathing the air?

Signed,

Mildew

Dear Mildew,

First of all, being in the library is bad for your health anyway. Second, it's a little known fact that the core of the fabulous collection in the Hastings library came from the great library at Alexandria, Egypt. Hidden law treatises that date back to the Ptolemies were taken from Alexandria by Napoleon in 1798, and somehow made their way to a garage in the Tenderloin in the 1890's. The mold spores that you are inhaling come from a line of spores that date back to 300 B.C.E. My advice - stay out of the library.



A. HAYASHI, WITH THANKS TO A. CARNAN

Letters to the Editor

Dear *Law News*,

Upon reading your paper, I thought it pertinent to advise you that your Latin is incorrect. Signed,

Quintilian

Dear *Quin*,

Crambe Repetita

Joan

Dear *Law News*,

Excellent work. Hastings really needs a forum like the *Law News*. I found Larry Flynt article was evenhanded and preserved journalistic integrity. Thanks guys.

Signed,

A Hastings Professor

Dear *Law News*,

The closure of the Skyroom reflects the administration's distrust for the students. The school is more concerned with liability than quality of life. The administration is unwilling to consider alternatives to being babysat. I worry this will translate into how students perceive the school and may reflect our rankings. When we were in the trailers, the Skyroom was held out as a nice place where students could go- and now they won't even let us have that.

Signed,

Anonymous 1L

Dear Anonymous 1L,

The administration tells us that it's student apathy that justifies closing the Skyroom, but neither Dean Kane nor Chief Financial Officer David Seward has told us how many students it would take to justify keeping it open.

In addition, Hastings General Counsel has agreed to disclose the terms of the gift. We will soon see if the Skyroom was intended to be used by students or closed to students.

Joan

Dear *Law News*,

The reason people don't use the Skyroom is because the school fails to maintain the elevators in a safe and efficient manner.

Masanori Hayashi, 2L

Dear Masanori,

There is an express elevator to the Skyroom located behind the security guard desk. Two problems: 1) it recently broke and 2) if it did run, it wouldn't go up to anything.

Joan



Attorney General Forum Top 10

- By J.H. Kaplan

On October 16, Nicholas Katzenbach [Johnson], Benjamin Civiletti [Carter], Edwin Meese [Reagan], and Richard Thornburgh [Reagan and Bush] gathered in the Louis B. Mayer lounge to discuss a range of current Department of Justice issues. Moderated by Harvard Law Professor Arthur R. Miller, the former Attorneys General addressed the use of incendiary devices at Waco, the presidential pardon of the FALN members, hate crimes, racial profiling, high school violence, federalism and the future of the legal profession at the dawn of the millennium.

Just in case any of you passed on the opportunity to hear what four of the former most powerful lawyers in the country had to share with the Hastings community, a carefully selected top ten list follows below:



Former Attorneys General
(from left to right)
Civiletti, Katzenbach, Miller (MC), Meese, Thornburgh

10. "If I were Janet Reno I would be upset..." -Nicholas Katzenbach. You're not alone on that one Nick.
9. "The job of the Attorney General [was] to front for Mr. Hoover." -Nicholas Katzenbach.
8. "Extraneous evidence ... puts you in a terrible position as far as your own integrity and credibility is concerned." -Edwin Meese. Got any examples for us, Ed.
7. "Summer evenings are a good time to give a pardon." -Nicholas Katzenbach. Perhaps while sipping a mint julep?
6. "The way you solve difficult things is to make them a crime." -Nicholas Katzenbach.
5. "Is [my microphone] working?" -Edwin Meese.
4. "Yes, but we'll turn it off soon." -Nicholas Katzenbach.
3. "A bunch of people going around in black trench-coats ... was a warning sign." -Edwin Meese.
3. "Harvard is the Hastings of the East." -Edwin Meese.
2. "Lawyers today are smarter, brighter, work harder [and] are more sophisticated in a wider variety of areas than ever before." -Benjamin Civiletti.
1. "I agree, and I attribute it to the fact that there are more women lawyers." -Nicholas Katzenbach.

Thank Goodness for Thanksgiving

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